## Public path in Ochenthuruthu.

**266. Mr. Paul Mampilli.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) is there any public path on the northern side of the poramboke canal near the ferry in Ochenthuruthu;

(b) have not the Government received petitions from the people of the village pointing out the necessity for such a path;

(c) what action have the Government taken on the representations?

**Mr. P. V. Raphael** (a) No.

(b) Yes.

(c) Government have sanctioned the work. Lands required for the road are proposed to be acquired in 1110. The work proper will be taken up in subsequent years as funds allow.

## Teachers of Industrial Schools.

**267. Mr. Joseph Pettah.**—Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) whether the teachers of the Industrial Schools in the State are regarded as Specialist, each in his own particular branch of industry, even as the Drill Instructors, Drawing teachers and Music and Needle-work Mistresses of the Primary and Secondary Schools;

(b) what is the literary qualification required of (i) the teachers of the Industrial schools, and (ii) the Drill Instructors and other specialists of the Primary and Secondary Schools;

(c) what are the scales of pay given to (i) the teachers of the Industrial Schools, and (ii) the Drill Instructors and other Specialists of the Primary and Secondary schools;

(d) whether the Drill Instructors and other Specialists can hope for any promotion to the higher grades in the Secondary schools or in any other departments in the State;

(e) if the answer to (d) is in the negative, has not this limitation in the prospects of those Specialists been taken into consideration by the Government in fixing their scales of pay;

(f) does not a similar limitation exist in the prospect of promotion of teachers in the Industrial schools?

**Mr. I. N. Menon.**—(a) Yes; the very names denote that they are specialists in their own sphere of work.

(b) (i) Please see S. O. No. 2.

(ii) Please see Article 52, Cochin Education Code, Volume I. Primary schools have no Drill Instructors.

(c) A list is appended. (*Appendix IV.*)

(d) The promotion of specialists other than Drill Instructors to the higher grades in the Secondary schools will depend upon their professional qualification and on the vacancies that

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may arise in higher grades. As for promotion in other departments it will depend upon their requirements.

(e) Does not arise

(f) No.

**Mr. Joseph Pettah**.—(b) Since these articles are not available here for ready reference, will the Government be pleased to give some idea of S. O. No. 2?

**Mr. I. N. Menon.**—Standing Order No. 2 deals with the exemption from Standing Order No. 1 which lays down the minimum qualification required for entry into public service that a person should be an S. S. L. C. and also lays down the percentage of marks heshould have secured in the several subjects. No. 2 gives exemption with regard to certain appointments, and with regard to the Education Department, Drawing Masters, Drill Masters, Malayalam and Sanskrit Pundits, Koran teachers, Music and Needle work mistresses etc., are exempted from the operation of Standing Order No. 1. Then this Code rule lays down..... May I read out, Sir?

**President.**—Yes.

**Mr. I. N. Menon.**—The Code rules also relate to the minimum qualification for teachers and it says persons possessing requisite general qualificaitons may be permitted to teach etc. Then it gives the various classes of specialists.

**Mr. Joseph Pettah.**—Is any literary qualification insisted upon in the case of these specialists?

**Mr. I. N Menon.**—No literary qualification is insisted upon in the case of the Industrial Assistants and other specialists. But since we have practically universal elementary education, passing Class four has been insisted upon by the authorities.

**Mr. Joseph Pettah.**—(d) What is this professional qualification referred to? In the case of Pandits and Music teachers for instance, there is the Lower Secondary Grade and the Upper Secondary Grade. Their qualification has to be considered when a person has got to be promoted from the lower to the higher grade. With regard to the Drill Instructors, there is no difference in pay. There is no chance of promotion for them.

**Mr. Joseph Pettah.**—My intention was to ascertain whether these specialists had any chance of being promoted to the upper grades as teachers in the Second Form or higher Classes.

**Mr. I. N. Menon.**—No.

**Mr. Joseph Pettah.**—So am I to take it that they could be promoted only in their own line? So if he is a Drawing teacher I suppose he can only be promoted to the superior grade of the line alone. Is not this a limitation?

**Mr. I. N. Menon.**—It has been so, because a higher grade is allowed to them. Even in the usual course they rise fairly

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high. Pandits, 25-50 and 20-30; Tamil Pandits the same, Drawing Masters, 20-35 and 35-50, Music teachers 20 and 20-35; Needle work mistresses, 20 and 20-35. So these teachers can expect promotions to superior grades.

**Mr. Joseph Pettah.**—But at present there is nothing beyond 35. There is this limitation that a Needle work teacher cannot expect to be promoted as a class teacher. So is not this fact being taken into consideration in fixing their scale of pay?

**Mr. I. N. Menon.**—Sir, at the time of fixing the maximum pay of the specialists, no consideration was allowed for their literary qualifications. It was taken into consideration at a time when there was no insistence on the minimum literary qualifications. There is no justification at that time for suggesting a higher grade.

## Alur Chira in Choondal Village.

**268. Mr. P. Krishna Menon.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether any works were carried out in connection with the above said chira in the year 1109;

(b) if carried out, was it from the allotment of Rs. 30 (item 175 page 6 appendix (a) of the Budget);

(c) if not from what amount were the repairs effected;

(d) when was the chira constructed at first and at what cost;

(e) what has been the cost of repairs or reconstruction since then;

(f) Is it a fact that the chira was damaged or washed the very year or next after construction;

(g) under whom was it constructed;

(h) was a notice issued to the then President of the Panchayat for refunding the money drawn for the construction of the said chira;

(f) if issued, will a copy of the same be supplied?

**Mr. P. V. Raphael.**—(a) Yes.

(b) No.

(c) Rs. 50 from the savings available in B. I. 672 and Rs. 250 from that in B. I. 509 of 09.

(d) In 1098 at Rs. 800.

(e) Rs. 965—14—8.

(f) Yes.

(g) The work was let on contract to one Kochugovinda Panikkar of Alur Village under the supervision of the Panchayat President and the Overseer.

(h) The opinion of the Panchayat was called for by means of a letter.

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## APPENDIX III.

Statement showing the number of admissions made during the year 1934—1935.

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Junior Intermediate Class Group | | i | 90 | 210 |
| | ,, | ii | 60 | |
| | ,, | iii | 60 | |
| Senior do | ,, | i | 1 | 12 |
| | ,, | ii | 8 | |
| | ,, | iii | 3 | |
| Junior B. A. Class | | i B | 12 | 135 |
| | | ii B | 25 | |
| | | ii C | 25 | |
| | | ii E | 19 | |
| | | iv A | 11 | |
| | | iv B | 43 | |
| Senior B. A. Class | | ii C | 2 | 4 |
| | | ii E | 1 | |
| | | iv B | 1 | |
| | | Total | | 361 |

## APPENDIX IV.

Scales of pay given to Drill Instructors and other specialists of the Primary and Secondary Schools.

*Secondary.*

| | | Rs |
|---|---|---|
| Sanskrit Pandit | ... | 25—50 |
| Do | .. | 20—30 |
| Malayalam Pandit | ... | 25—50 |
| Drawing Master | . | 35—50 |
| Do | .. | 20—35 |
| Music Teachers | .. | 35—50 |
| Do | ... | 20—35 |
| Needle-work teachers | ... | 20—35 |
| Tamil Pandits | ... | 25—50 |
| Do | ... | 20—25 |
| Drill Masters | ... | 20—30 |
| Arabic Pandit | .. | 25—50 |
| Do | .. | 20—30 |
| Quran | .. | 15—20 |
| Matron | .. | 15—20 |
| Physical Director | .. | 60—80 |
| Agricultural teacher | . | 60—80 |
| Kindergarten Assistant | | 20—35 |
| Kaikottikali teacher | | 20 |

*Primary.*

| | | Rs. |
|---|---|---|
| Music | .. | 20 |
| Needle-work | .. | 20 |
| Do | ... | 20—25 |
| Drawing | ... | 20 |
| Quran | ... | 15—20 |
| Handicrafts Assistant | ... | 30—40 |
| Bee-expert | ... | 25—40 |

Scales of pay given to the teachers of the Industrial Schools (90—110), (50—60), (40—50), (20—50), (35—40), (30—35), (20—35,) (25—30), (20—30,) (20—25) and (20)

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